



# Da Vinci Schools

# **Minutes**

Da Vinci Schools: L.A. County Special Board Meeting (RISE High)

#### **Date and Time**

Wednesday March 3, 2021 at 6:00 PM

Da Vinci Schools: L.A. County ("DVLAC") welcomes your participation at its Board meetings. The purpose of a public meeting of the Board of Directors ("Board") is to conduct the affairs of DVLAC in public. Your participation assures us of continuing community interest in our schools. To assist you in speaking/participating in our meetings, the following guidelines are provided:

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- 4. The Board may give direction to staff to respond to your concern or you may be offered the option of returning with a citizen-requested item.
- 5. The chair will recognize such individuals who wish to speak on a specific agenda item at the appropriate time. When addressing the Board, speakers are requested to adhere to the time limits set forth, and to not repeat remarks made by those who preceded them.
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#### **Trustees Present**

A. Montes-Rodriguez (remote), C. McCullough (remote), C. Taylor (remote), J. Morgan (remote), L. Jennings (remote), T. Johnstone (remote)

#### **Trustees Absent**

None

#### **Guests Present**

E. Salango (remote), E. Whalen (remote), J. Hawn (remote), M. Amato (remote), M. Ring (remote), M. Wunder (remote), R. Robertson (remote), V. Bravo (remote)

## I. Opening Items

#### A. Call the Meeting to Order

L. Jennings called a meeting of the board of trustees of Da Vinci Schools to order on Wednesday Mar 3, 2021 at 6:08 PM.

#### **B.** Record Attendance and Guests

### C. Approval of Agenda

- T. Johnstone made a motion to approve the agenda.
- L. Jennings seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **Roll Call**

C. McCullough Aye
A. Montes-Rodriguez Aye
J. Morgan Aye
T. Johnstone Aye
L. Jennings Aye
C. Taylor Absent

D.

#### **Public Comments**

None.

C. Taylor joined the meeting at 6:11 PM.

#### II. Information/Discussion

#### A. Review of Board Terms

Dr. Jennings asked about term limits for board members.

Ms. Montes-Rodriguez also inquired about terms ending in August and expectations of renewal for continuity.

Dr. Ring recommended that Board members who are unable to serve beyond the term inform administration by the end of the school year to allow for time in regards to the logistics of the recruitment process.

Mr. Taylor, Dr. Jennings, and Ms. Morgan expressed interest in renewing their Board terms after August 2021.

Ms. Montes-Rodrigues and Dr. Jennings shared their appreciation for the discussion, as well as the continued support and commitment from Board members to the organization.

# III. Closed Session Conference with Legal Counsel - Real Estate Negotiations/Lease Agreements

# A. Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Gov. Code § 54956.8) New Earth and Wiseburn Unified School District/RISE Hawthorne

Closed session was entered at 6:19 PM.

#### IV. Reconvene to Public Session and Report on Closed Session

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The Board reconvened for public session at 8:31 p.m.

Dr. Jennings reported that the Board and staff are still gathering information and have made no decisions about lease agreements at this time.

#### V. Action Items

#### A. Approve 2021-22 Facility Options for RISE Operations

The Board decided to amend the agenda and no vote will be taken on Action Item V. A. Approve 2021-22 Facility Options for RISE Operations.

# VI. Closing Items

# A. Adjourn Meeting

- J. Morgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
- C. McCullough seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **Roll Call**

A. Montes-Rodriguez Aye
T. Johnstone Aye
L. Jennings Aye
C. Taylor Aye
C. McCullough Aye
J. Morgan Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:32 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

E. Salango